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Letter

Plotters of World Dictatorship

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A frightening quotation from a vitally important book--that apparently has been suppressed by powerful interests centered in New York and London — is being presented here as the foundation for a series of columns. The content of the columns is of transcendent importance to every American who cherishes his freedom. Here is the quotation — from the book, **Tragedy and Hope**, by Professor Carroll Quigley, of Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.:

"It is increasingly clear that, in the 20th Century, the expert will replace the industrial tycoon in control of the economic system even as he will replace the democratic voter in control of the political system...In general (the individual's) freedom and choice will be controlled within very narrow alternatives..."

Professor Quigley is a widely known historian, having taught at Princeton and Harvard before taking his post at Georgetown's Foreign Service School in Washington. His previous book, **Evolution of Civilizations**, received acclaim from university history faculties throughout the world. Yet his **Tragedy And Hope**, published in 1966, was such a bombshell in the seats of power in the United States that it almost immediately disappeared from bookstores. I tried to obtain the 1348-page book from the publisher, The MacMillan Company, only to be informed that it was "not available." I obtained a copy elsewhere.

"The Circle"

One of the bombshell revelations of Professor Quigley's book was its documentation on the formation of a secret society known to its insiders as "The Circle of Initiates" and with the objective of gaining political and governmental control of the world through expansion of "The Circle" into the major countries.

The co-founders of the secret society were Cecil Rhodes, the multi-millionaire Englishman who got a virtual monopoly on diamond production through his secret society political influence; and William T. Stead, English Journalist described in history books as "an ardent social reformer." Rhodes left money in his will to set up the famed "Rhodes Scholarships" for the explicit purpose of preparing exceptional young men from English-speaking nations for service in the elite power-seeking organization which, he felt, would ultimately rule the world.

Control By "The Establishment"

Professor Quigley apparently finds no fault with the goal of the secret "Circle" whose subsidiaries, under the names of "The Round Table" and "The Establishment" now function in the United States and other major countries. His book says that "The Establishment" in the U. S. has virtually controlled the two major political parties (and even financed some Communist activities); and that it controlled until the late 1930's an overwhelming amount of the nation's productive capacity. He seems to believe that consolidation of political and economic power in the hands of an elite of "experts", in spite of its suppression of individual freedom, constitutes an advancement for mankind. The system he foresees would be a form of State Socialism, with Government bureaucrat "experts", evidently chosen by the secret society, controlling the social and economic lives of the people.

Step By Step Socialism

Political, governmental and economic developments in the United States in recent years would seem to indicate how such a scheme of consolidated power and control could be progressively instituted. On the day I began writing this series of columns, the New York Times published a comprehensive article on "The nationwide movement toward land-use regulation." The Times said the movement "poses an array of important and rather inescapable policy decisions that the public is going to

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be called on to resolve." Here are the significant paragraphs:

"The concept of land as a purely private commodity to be regulated by economics seems to be giving way to the concept of land as a national resource. . .Implicit in the new 'land ethic' are two fundamental shifts of power. One is movement of the initiative in land-use planning from individual owners and developers to the general public, *acting through governmental agencies.* The other is a certain redistribution of wealth implied in large-scale land-use control: *Individual freedom* to maximize profits from land is replaced in various decrees by collective decisions about the disposition of land." Any way you spell it out, this is State Socialism, and it follows the Marxist Socialist maxim which calls for the abolition of private ownership of property and redistribution of wealth. Quigley's book significantly says "The Establishment" has exerted a controlling influence on the New York Times, the Washington Post, The Christian Science Monitor, and other powerful media.

Threat to Freedom

The story told in Professor Quigley's report has been a hearsay, largely rejected accusation without definitive source for at least two decades in America. I was reluctant to believe it until I read and studied his book. His report explains a number of happenings that I could never before quite understand.

If what Professor Quigley reports in his book is true--and he says he studied the international "Establishment" activities for 20 years and had "inside" access to the records of the secret group;—then the people of America must move to break up a scheme to further rob them of their freedom and economic opportunities provided under the present much-crippled but still surviving American system. The ultimate world goal is identified by Quigley as a "pluralist economy" and a world social system strictly controlled by an elite of "experts." "There will be," says Quigley, "a very considerable modification of the areas and objectives of freedom in all societies of the world, with gradual reduction of numerous personal freedoms. . ."

Shocking "Beyond Imagination"

If what Professor Quigley has written concerning the powers that rule the world is false, then the people explicitly identified as the elite rulers in the secret society must come forward with proof of the falseness. Otherwise the freedom-loving people of the world--and especially in the United States--must be forewarned of the fate being planned for their future--without their consent. Not one word of denial of the documented report presented by Professor Quigley has come to my attention. Are the secret world rulers so powerful they need not even react to the Quigley book? Can they suppress not only the book but all mention of it?

In citing statistics on the power exercised at one time by "The Establishment" over the American Government and economy, Quigley writes: "The economic power represented by these figures is almost beyond imagination to grasp, and was increased by the active role which these financial titans took in politics."

It was reassuring to me, because of my personal acquaintance since 1936 with many of the top corporate executives in American industry and business, to read in the Quigley report that in the 1930's American business interests became sufficiently independent financially, through profitable operations, to escape the rigid control exercised by "The Establishment" and its powerful international "investment" bankers. But they have not escaped the same "Establishment" power exercised in government.

Control Over Major Media

Equal to the economic and financial power being exercised by "The Establishment" is the control they have, according to Quigley, over the major news media and other communications arteries. He notes that "Walter Lippman has been, from 1914 to the present, the authentic spokesman in American journalism for the Establishments on both sides of the Atlantic in international affairs," and that Erwin D. Canham, editor of the Christian Science Monitor, has been a secret columnist for the "Establishment" international magazine, The Round Table. In London "The Establishment" has controlled *The Times* (owned by the Astor family) since 1912, he says.

But even of greater significance to many readers is the further observation of Professor Quigley: "Dean Rusk, Secretary of State after 1961, formerly president of the Rockefeller Foundation and Rhodes Scholar at Oxford (1931-1933) is as much a member of this nexus as Alger Hiss, the Dulles brothers, Jerome Greene, James T. Shotwell, John W. Davis, Elihu Root, or Philip Jessup. All these men have had great influence on foreign and domestic policy in America. John F. Kennedy, long before attaining the Presidency, was, Quigley says, an "Establishment" man.

The "Big Three"

The three most powerful of the inner "Circle of Initiates" during the first half of the 20th Century, Quigley reports, were the international banking families--the Rothschilds, the J. P. Morgans, and the Rockefellers. These three continue to be the dominant powers today, his book makes clear, although much of the money power now is wielded by Foundations created by them rather than by the international banking institutions themselves. The Morgan firm has changed its identity by merging with other financial institutions which it controls.

On this subject, Professor Quigley says: "The history of the last century (1850-1950) shows . . . that the advice given to governments by bankers like the advice they gave to industrialists, was consistently good for bankers, but was often disasterous for governments, businessmen, and the people generally." They frequently followed up their "advice" by forcing it on reluctant governments. Yet, Professor Quigley and his friends of the inner "Circle" -- the "Eastern U.S. Establishment" and the "English Establishment" -- believe that a world ruled by an elite of such people would be "the hope of the future." That is the reason for the name of the book—Hope if they achieve their aim, and Tragedy if they fail.

Aiding World Communism

As presented by historian Quigley the "Establishment" plan appears to me to be one which would create a dictatorship of an elite much as is operated in Russia today. "The Establishment" has been so active in secretly financing and controlling major Communist operations in the United States that charges by "Rightwingers" of the infiltration of Communism into political and governmental institutions were actually charges which, Professor Quigley says, should have been directed against "The Establishment" powers.

"It is this power structure (The Establishment)," writes Quigley, "which the radical right in the United States has been attacking for years in the belief that they are attacking the Communists." Just how powerful is "The Establishment?" Professor Quigley says: "The relationship between the financial circles of London and those of the eastern United States (reflects) one of the most powerful influences in 20th Century American and world history."

Some of the "secrets" revealed by Professor Quigley concerning financial aid given to, and control exercised over, Communist operations in America, include:

"The Establishment" financed and founded the Institute of Pacific Relations in the U.S., reports Quigley, while other branches of "The Establishment" set up similar organizations in the major nations of the world. A committee of Congress conducted an exhaustive investigation of IPR, which was most active during the Red takeover of China, and reported: "The IPR has been considered by the American Communist Party and by Soviet officials as an instrument of Communist policy, propaganda and military intelligence. The IPR disseminated and sought to popularize false information including information originating from Soviet and Communist sources . . ." Quigley himself reports: "The influence of the Communists in IPR is well established, but the patronage of (The Establishment) is less well known."

"The Establishment" heavily financed and put its people in control of the Henry Wallace presidential campaign in 1948 with the knowledge that it was largely a communist operation. The exercise of "Establishment" power in Communist and other "Left-wing" operations in the U.S. centered, Professor Quigley reports, in the hands of the Thomas W. Lamont family (of the J.P. Morgan banking house). Michael Whitney Straight, son of another Morgan partner, was "The Establishment" man in running the Wallace campaign, Quigley's book reports. Straight, using "Establishment" money, had previously founded the Leftwing magazine, The New Republic, the book says.

Money Power in Red Operations

"The Establishment" financed and founded, through its agents, the Leftwing American Veterans Committee and the Americans for Democratic Action (ADA), Quigley reveals. "Establishment" money and influence went into establishing the Trade Union Services, Inc., in New York, which in 1947 published 15 trade-union newspapers for various CIO unions (some dominated by Communist officials), reports Quigley. "Among its officers," he writes, "were Corliss Lamont (of the Morgan House Lamonts) and Frederick Vanderbilt Field, identified in Congressional hearings as a secret Communist agent.

Why would great fortunes accumulated through the capitalistic system be expended to aid Communist causes? Professor Quigley has his explanations (principally that the financial tycoons wanted control of everything). Mine is that the objective of the original organization of "The Establishment" as a world-wide elite power was basically the same that Karl Marx sought. Marx, in his **Communist Manifesto**, called for world revolution to set up a dictatorship of the "proletariat" (the lower class). "The Establishment" seeks sufficient political and governmental control to set up a dictatorship of the elite, their own "upper," ruling class. I do not believe that the leaders of Soviet and Chinese Communism will, in the end, knuckle under to any "Establishment." They are cunning and devilish, and I believe they have been using "The Establishment" and "Establishment" money to augment their own planning for world rule.

The Power That Corrupts

Lord Acton's postulate that "power corrupts" is dramatically confirmed in the actions of some of the most powerful individual personalities in the secret "Circle of Initiates," which formed "Establishment" power groups in the major nations of the world. The co-founder, Cecil Rhodes reportedly used his "Establishment" power to become the richest man in the world in his time. His annual income when he died in 1902 was $5,000,000. He got his start, according to Quigley, through loans from another member of the secret society, Lord Nathan Rothschild, head of the Rothschild bank in London, leader of the world-wide Zionist movement, and recognized as the most powerful man in England at the time.

Rhodes has been charged with operating on the corruptive economic philosophy that the ends justify the means. The initial loans from Rothschild, together with some "unscrupulous" activities, permitted him to get a monopoly on the South Africa diamond mines and to build up a great gold mining enterprise in the Transvaal. In further development of his personal fortune, Quigley reports, he even financed an uprising of the English in the Boer Republic, in which people were slaughtered, in order to send private troops into the area and seize control from natives so he could build a roadway to the north for gold shipments. His ultimate corruption would seem to have been his plan to impose his own ideological and social philosophy upon all the people of the world through the worldwide secret society he helped to create and which has continued to work for his goals throughout the 20th Century. In support of those goals, Professor Quigley writes:

The Hierarchy

"The problem of meaning today is the problem of how the diverse and superficially self-contradictory experiences of men can be put into a consistent picture that will provide contemporary man with a convincing basis from which to live and to act. **This can be achieved only by a hierarchy that distinguishes what is necessary from what is important. . .**"

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A Personal Message

I have read every word of the 1348 pages in Professor Quigley's *Tragedy and Hope*. It is a revealing document. When studied carefully, the events recorded by Professor Quigley, and his report on the concentration of money and political power mobilized to secretly influence and even control decisive events in America and the world, are profoundly disturbing to anyone who believes in and supports our form of government, our economic system and our way of life. The powers he exposes are a self-chosen elite, functioning much like a monarchial dynasty; and, according to Professor Quigley, their ultimate objective is to rule the world.

One of the most significant revelations in the book, in my opinion, is the fact that "The Establishment" has never supported Richard M. Nixon, nor has he been an associate; and that the forces now aligned militantly against him in the Watergate matter and the issues of national and internal security are largely those reportedly controlled by "The Establishment." It is also somewhat disturbing to read in Professor Quigley's well-documented book that John Foster Dulles was a member of "The Establishment" until he turned, in 1948, into an aggressive anti-Communist.

The big question posed by the foregoing is, Why, then, does President Nixon follow the advice of and appoint to the vital position of Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger, who, according to Professor Quigley's explanation of "The Establishment's" secret foreign policy strategy, is "The Establishment's" man? Is this due to the fact that Mr. Kissinger has been the right-hand man of Governor Nelson Rockefeller, who (according to Professor Quigley) is a third generation member of one of the three most powerful families in the original world-wide "Establishment?"

These are questions which seem to be answered in the Quigley documentation. The answers would seem to be that Governor Rockefeller's influence with President Nixon is sufficient to explain Mr. Kissinger's appointment; and that Mr. Kissinger's extraordinary ability to "deal" with world Communism has "sold" the President on the Kissinger foreign policy. Is it also "The Establishment" foreign policy? The answer seems to be, yes. Where will it lead?

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